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## 1948 GOLD MEDAL AWARDS OF THE SOVIET GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY

At its 8 March 1949 session, the Scientific Council of the Geographical Society USSR awarded the F. P. Litke, P. P. Semenov, and N. M. Przheval'skiy gold medals by secret vote on the basis of recommendations by the Expertise Commission.

The F. P. Litke medal, with a prize of 10,000 rubles, was awarded to S. P. Khromov, professor of Leningrad University, for his work Principles of Synoptic Meteorology. Khromov, an outstanding synoptic meteorologist, has produced in this book a fundamental work, which will serve as a handbook and authoritative encyclopaedia on synoptic meteorology for all meteorologists, climatologists, and geographers.

The P. P. Semenov medal, with a prize of 10,000 rubles, was awarded to Academician V. N. Sukachev for his brilliant works in many fields of geographical sedences, particularly for his works on the theory of geography, swamp studies, and phytocenology. Sukachev is a generally-recognized authority on geography and botany, and is a founder and chief of the Soviet botanicogeographical school.

The N. M. Przheval'skiy medal, with a prize of 10,000 rubles, was awarded to Professor Ye. Ye. Shvede, Doctor of Stiences, for his important work on a geographical survey of one of the maritime regions.

In addition, the Scientific Council, at the behest of the Expertise Commission, gave honorable mention for the work The Komi-Permyatskiy National Okrug published in 1948, to the following group of authors, editors, and workers: Academician A. A. Grigor yev, Professor V. F. Vasyutin, M. I. Pomus, I. V. Komar, N. I. Shishkin, Professor M. I. Galitskiy, A. V. Zhivage, V. R. Svirskaya, L. Ye. Iofa, I. P. Subbotin, Professor, A. M. Formozov, S. A. Kuklin, N. Ya. Korotsyev, Professor V. A. Gryuger, M. M. Danilova, and

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